



MT Trauma System Update 2/6/2013

Montana 2013 Legislative Session

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Will post legislation updates on EMSTS website, send out on listserves, provide updates for RTACS, STCC



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01/29/12 - [The Ultimate Challenge: It's About Time](#) for an EMS Memorial
01/15/13 - [January 15 issue of Washington Update](#)



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Emergency Care System Emergency Care Council, EMS System Development



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Publications & Resources Laws & Rules, Documents Reports, Web Links



Trauma System Trauma Care Committee, Trauma Regions, Designation



Injury Prevention Falls, Traffic Safety, Injury Data



EMS Service Licensing Licensing and Regulation of EMS Services



Data & Information HIRMS, OPHI, Trauma Register



Community AED Program Community AED Programs, AED Registration

News & Updates

05/31/12 - [EMSTS Section E.V.E.N.T. - EMS Voluntary Event Notification Tool](#)
04/30/12 - [EMSTS Provides an Example Encounter Form for EMS Services](#)
04/16/12 - [HIRMS data software moves to a new web Server](#)
02/15/12 - [Shari Graham joins EMSTS as our new EMS Systems Manager](#)
01/23/12 - [PDF of all licensed services added to EMS Service Licensing pages](#)
11/03/11 - [P-25 Mobiles Available to Ambulance Services](#)



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Legislative Summary as of 02/05/2013

The following are summaries of bills and their current status. This information provided is for informational purposes and does not indicate EMS and Trauma Systems Section / DPHHS support or opposition unless specifically indicated.

Action on bills can quickly be out-of-date and you can follow the bill link to the LAWS website to verify current status of a bill you may be interested in.

[pdf](#) [PDF version of this summary of bills](#)

[pdf](#) [PDF of Non-Introduced Bills from LAWS site](#)

Introduced:

HB 175 - [Include dispatchers in the sheriffs' retirement system](#)

Authorizes the transfer of certain public safety officers / dispatchers from the Public Employee's Retirement System to the Sheriffs' Retirement System

Primary Sponsor - Franke Wilmer

Status:

01/31 - Hearing held

Designation/Verification

Re-designations;

Ronan CTF
Polson CTF
Big Timber TRF
Ennis

NEW Designations:

White Sulfur Springs	TRF
Terry	TRF
Havre	CTF

Plus Focused reviews

DESIGNATED MT Trauma Facilities: 41!

8 Non-CAH

32 CAH

1 Clinic

ACS Level II/MT Regional TC: 4

ACS Level III/MT Area TH: 3

MT Area TH: 1

Community Trauma Facility: 7

MT Trauma Receiving Facility: 26

Designation Criteria

- **Implemented 2006**
 - **Current criteria revision review by STCC PI Subcommittee**
 - **Public Rules process after 2013 Legislature**
 - **Clarify criteria, improve (not increase) requirements to reflect changing care culture over time**
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Web-Based Collector

Goals;

- **Eliminate paper abstract submission process**
 - **Improve data accuracy**
 - **Provide method for internal data reporting**
 - **NHTSA Funds obtained**
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- DI currently configuring/working on design
- Should have something for us to review in 4-6 weeks
- Revise, refine format
- ? Installation later this Spring??

Web-based Collector

PM Study

Some early “front runner” issues of note;

- Lack of consistency in EMS documentation for deceased patients**
 - Differences in trauma care provided for elderly patients; comorbidities, medical care**
 - What constitutes “Futile Resuscitation”?**
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MT Trauma Treatment Manual

Emulate ND Trauma Treatment Manual;

- **STCC Education Subcommittee working on chapter components**
- **Post on-line for all to download & use for;**

Trauma Patient Care

Orientation, new staff & Physicians

Orientation, Locums providers & traveler staff

Continuing Education template

CASE REVIEW TEMPLATE: use as guidelines for reviewing cases;

Did we follow the guidelines? Were good decisions made?

Why/why not and was that acceptable?

Are there GAPS in our care? Can we use to develop PI Indicators?

How do we move beyond improvement of documentation?
